

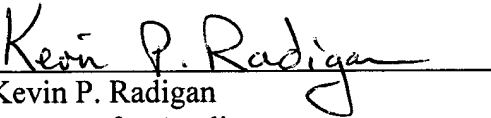
Remarks

Upon entrance of this amendment, claims 2-15 & 26-38 remain pending.

By this paper, Applicants cancel rejected independent claims 1, 24 & 47-54, as well as rejected dependent claim 25. Allowable dependent claims 2, 8, 15, 26 & 28 are rewritten into independent form, and all remaining dependent claims are amended to depend from a respective one of these rewritten independent claims. Thus, all claims are believed to be in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested.

Should any issue remain unresolved, the Examiner is invited to telephone Applicants' below-listed representative.

Respectfully submitted,


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